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SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT: THANK-YOU NOTES

1. EMBASSY SUGGESTS PRESIDENT SIGN LETTERS TO FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE PROMINENT IN PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT TO SPAIN: 1) GENERALISIMO FRANCO; 2) PRINCE JUAN CARLOS; 3) PRESIDENT OF GOVERNMENT ARIAS; 4) MIGUEL ANGEL GARCIA-LOMAS, MAYOR OF MADRID; 5) AMBASSADOR PAN DE SORALUCE, CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTRY, (OVERALL SPANISH COORDINATOR FOR VISIT); 6) GENERAL FERNANDO FUERTES DE VILLAVICENCIO, CHIF OF CIVIL HOUSEHOLD, RESPONSIBLE FOR MONCLOA PALACE, WHERE PRESIDENT STAYED AND FOR ARRANGEMENTS FOR PALACIO DE ORIENTE DINNER; AND 7) LT. GENERAL LUIS DIEZ-ALEGRIA, CHIEF OF FRANCO'S MILITARY HOUSEHOLD.

2. SUGGESTED TEXTS OF LETTERS FOLLOW. EACH LETTER TO CLOSE QTE SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD UNQTE ACCORDING TO FORMAT PROVIDED TO EMBASSY BY PRESIDENT'S PARTY FOR LETTERS FOR PRESIDENTIAL SIGNATURE.

(1) HIS EXCELLENCY  
THE CHIEF OF STATE  
GENERALISIMO FRANCISCO FRANCO  
PALACIO DEL PARDO  
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I WISH TO SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR THE WARM HOSPITALITY WHICH

YOU ACCORDED ME DURING MY RECENT STATE VISIT TO SPAIN. I SHALL ALWAYS CHERISH THE MEMORIES OF THIS VISIT, OF YOUR KINDNESS, AND OF THAT OF THE SPANISH PEOPLE, OF THE TREMENDOUS RECEPTION ACCORDED ME, OF THE SPLENDID DINNER AT THE ROYAL PALACE WHICH YOU HOSTED, AND OF OUR CONVERSATIONS REGARDING MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST TO OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT THIS VISIT HAS CONSTITUTED A FURTHER DEMONSTRATION OF THE CLOSE TIES AND RELATIONSHIP WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

(2) HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS  
THE PRINCE OF SPAIN  
DON JUAN CARLOS DE BORBON  
PALACIO DE LA ZARZUELA  
EL PARDO  
MADRID

YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS:

ALLOW ME TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TELL YOU HOW PLEASED I WAS TO BE ABLE TO RENEW OUR FRIENDSHIP DURING MY RECENT STATE VISIT TO YOUR WONDERFUL COUNTRY. I WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED AT THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONVERSE WITH YOU EXTENSIVELY ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES, AND AT THE OPPORTUNITY WHICH MRS. FORD AND I HAD TO RECEIVE YOU AND PRINCESS SOPHIA AT THE MONCLOA PALACE. I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT OUR CONTACTS DURING THIS VISIT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE ALREADY CLOSE TIES WHICH EXIST BETWEEN SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

(3) HIS EXCELLENCY  
THE PRESIDENT OF GOVERNMENT  
CARLOS ARIAS NAVARRO  
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MADRID

EXCELLENCY:

I WISH TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY MOST SINCERE APPRECIATION OF THE MANY KINDNESSES PROVIDED ME DURING MY RECENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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STATE VISIT TO SPAIN AS A GUEST OF YOUR GOVERNMENT TO MEET WITH YOU AND TO EXCHANGE VIEWS CONCERNING THE MANY MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS. I WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED WITH OUR DISCUSSIONS DURING AND FOLLOWING THE LUNCHEON AT THE MONCLOA PALACE. I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT OUR CONTACTS DURING THE VISIT HAVE FURTHER CONTRIBUTED TO STRENGTHENING THE ALREADY CLOSE TIES BETWEEN YOUR GOVERNMENT AND MINE.

(4) EXCMO. SR. D. MIGUEL ANGEL GARCIA-LOMAS Y MATA  
MAYOR OF MADRID  
EXCMO. AYUNTAMIENTO DE MADRID  
PLAZA DE LA VILLA  
MADRID, SPAIN

DEAR MR. MAYOR:

I WAS GREATLY HONORED TO RECEIVE THE KEY TO THE CITY OF MADRID  
ON MY VISIT TO SPAIN AND WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR PRESENTING  
IT TO ME ON THAT OCCASION.

I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXPRESS TO YOU AND TO THOSE WHO WORKED ON  
THE PREPARATIONS HOW IMPRESSIVE WE ALL THOUGHT MADRID LOOKED  
DURING OUR VISIT.

(5) AMBASSADOR EMILIO PAN DE SORALUCE  
CHIEF OF PROTOCOL  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
MADRID, SPAIN

DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

ALTHOUGH MY STAY IN SPAIN WAS UNFORTUNATELY VERY BRIEF, YOUR  
GRACIOUS EFFORTS IN COORDINATING THE VISIT ON BEHALF OF THE  
SPANISH GOVERNMENT HAVE MADE IT MEMORABLE. THANK YOU VERY  
MUCH FOR ALL YOU DID TO MAKE MY VISIT IN YOUR COUNTRY SO  
PLEASANT AND SUCCESSFUL.

(6) EXCMO. SR. D. FERNANDO FUERTES DE VILLAVICENCIO  
JEFE E INTENDENTE GENERAL  
PALACIO DE ORIENTE  
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DEAR GENERAL FUERTES DE VILLAVICENCIO:

PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARM THANKS FOR ALL THE WORK DONE BY YOU AND  
THE MEMBERS OF YOUR STAFF DURING MY STAY IN SPAIN. I WILL  
ALWAYS HAVE THE MOST PLEASANT MEMORIES OF SPAIN, THANKS LARGELY  
TO YOUR EFFICIENT AND UNTIRING EFFORTS IN COUNTLESS WAYS.  
PLEASE ALSO CONVEY OUR SPECIAL THANKS TO MR. PEDRO CHECA,  
CUSTODIAN OF THE MONCLOA PALACE, WHERE WE WERE MADE SO  
COMFORTABLE.

(7) EXCMO. SR. TENIENTE GENERAL LUIS DIEZ-ALEGRIA  
CHIEF OF THE MILITARY HOUSHOLD  
PALACIO DE ORIENTE  
MADRID, SPAIN

DEAR GENERAL DIEZ-ALEGRIA:

PLEASE ACCEPT MY WARM THANKS FOR THE FINE PART PLAYED BY THE  
MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY HOUSEHOLD IN MY VISIT TO SPAIN.

I AM GRATEFUL TO YOU AND TO YOUR STAFF FOR THE SPLENDID WAY  
EVERYTHING WENT..

3. THE AMBASSADOR HAS SENT THANK YOU LETTERS TO THE INDIVIDUALS  
LISTED IN MADRID 3893.

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